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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(6)

Commissioner for Patents:

Applicants hereby request reconsideration of the Decision on Petition, dated November 12, 2003, denying the Petition filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(6) on October 9, 2003.

By way of an Amendment submitted herewith, and as requested by the Examiner in the Decision on Petition, Applicants have amended the reference required by 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(5) to delete the incorporation by reference statement previously presented. More specifically, the section on page 1, before paragraph [0001], has been amended to read:

"Cross-Reference to Related Application


This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/281,114 filed April 3, 2001."

Based on the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(6) have been met and that the Petition be granted. However, should any further issues require attention, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (206) 622-4900 to resolve the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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